1994-95 STC and MMTC have been asked to import sugar for P.D.S. (Public Distribution System).

(b) During 1994-95 STC and MMTC have upto 9-6-94, finalised import of 6.26 lakh tonnes. These organisations did not import any sugar during the year 1993-94.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

Differing views on Super 301

7379. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN : Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is any difference in the views of our Government and the U.S. Government on Super 301 ;

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard :

(c) to what extent these differences are likely to effect the economy of our country; and

(d) how Government propose to resolve these differences ?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE) : (a) to (d) India has consistently been of the view that there should not be unilateral judgements or action on trade matters. Such matters should be resolved multilaterally. The Uruguay Round results contain a detailed agreement for the resolution of disputes between members multilaterally. Unilateral trade measures would not be consistent with the obligations of the members under the Uruguay Round results. This agreement is acceptable to both India and the U.S.

Estimated rise in the Indian export

7380. SHRI SARADA MOHANTY :
SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA

Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) the basis for the optimism expressed by him recently that by 1997 Indian exports would go up to the level of 35 billion dollars at the 1992 price level ;

(b) whether the above mentioned target is possible on the basis of reality of misallocation in investment i.e. agricultural sector's potential being underrated and underinvestment in that sector ; and

(c) what are the perspectives of various sectors' expected perford mance on exports front including detailed break up of exports from various segments ?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE) : (a) to (c) The Eighth Five Year Plan, 1992-97 has envisaged an annual export growth of 13.6% in volume terms, leading to total exports of about US $ 35 billion at the terminal year of the plan at 1991-92 prices, based on the expected sector-wise foreign exchange earnings, in line with the macro balances of the economy viz. investment and sectoral and aggregate GDP growth. Thus, relatively higher growth is expected in the export of value-added items like processed food in the agricultural sector and gems & jewellery, engineering goods, chemical and allied products etc. in the manufacturing sector.

Cases against employees of STC

7381. SHRI PASUMPON THA. KIRUTTINAN : Will the Minister